

## REMARKS

Early consideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.


Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-15, 24, and 31-33 will be pending in the present application. Claims 16-23 and 25-30 have been cancelled.

The specification has been amended above to indicate that the present application is a divisional application of U.S. Appln. No. 09/883,035 ("the '035 application") filed June 15, 2001.

The claims have been amended above to cancel claims 16-23 and 25-30, which were allowed in the '035 application. Thus, the present application seeks to continue prosecution on non-elected claims 1-15, 24, and 31-33 from the original '035 application.

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to the effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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